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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. RWANDA PERMREP BAKURAMUTSA SENT A LETTER TO THE UN SYG AND THE SC PRESIDENT SETTING FORTH THE GOR'S POSITION ON THE UNAMIR MANDATE RENEWAL (COMPLETE TEXT FAXED TO AF AND IO/UNP). THE LETTER STATES THAT SECURITY AND PROTECTION IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY FORCES, AND THAT UNAMIR MUST CEASE TO BE SEEN AS A PARALLEL FORCE, SINCE A MASSIVE FOREIGN MILITARY PRESENCE CREATES A FALSE IMPRESSION OF A STATE OF INSECURITY AND LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN THE NATIONAL FORCES.

3. THE LETTER STATES THAT "THE GOR IS PREPARED TO COOPERATE WITH UNAMIR AS LONG AS IT IS CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT THEIR MANDATE IS LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

"A) UNAMIR CAN ASSIST IN OBSERVER CAPACITY IN THE PROCESS OF VOLUNTARY AND SAFE REPATRIATION AND RESETTLEMENT OF REFUGEES;

"B) UNAMIR WILL ASSIST THE RWANDA GOVERNMENT IN PROVIDING LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF RELIEF SUPPLIES;

"C) THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL WILL CONTINUE HIS DIPLOMATIC WORK BY USING HIS GOOD OFFICES INT HE PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WITH
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THE FRAMEWORK WORKED OUT BY MY GOVERNMENT;

"D) UNAMIR WILL PROVIDE SOME PROTECTION TO THE UNITED NATIONS INSTALLATIONS AND PERSONNEL INCLUDING THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL PERSONNEL;

"E) UNAMIR COULD ASSIST RWANDA GOVERNMENT IN SUCH ACTIVITIES AS DEMINING WHEN SO REQUESTED BY RWANDA GOVERNMENT."

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4. THE LETTER CONCLUDES BY STATING THAT THE MILITARY COMPONENT WILL BE REDUCED TO A REASONABLE NUMBER THAT CAN HANDLE THE ABOVE MANDATE, BUT THAT THE EXACT FIGURE WILL BE COMMUNICATED IN DUE COURSE.

5. THE PERM FIVE MET MAY 31 ON RWANDA. THE FRENCH SUGGESTED THE PERM FIVE REACH AGREEMENT AMONG THEMSELVES ON A NEW MANDATE FOR UNAMIR IN ORDER TO CONVEY A UNIFIED POSITION TO THE VISITING RWANDAN DELEGATION. USUN AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH SHARED USG VIEWS ON THE MANDATE PER REF B. THE UK AND RUSSIA AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO CONVEY THE SAME BASIC MESSAGE TO THE RWANDANS. UK MENTIONED THEY HAD ALREADY COUNSELED THE GOR TO AVOID PUBLIC CONFRONTATION WITH THE UN, AND TO REACH AGREEMENT QUIETLY. THE CHINESE SAID THEY WOULD HEW CLOSELY TO THE POSITION OF THE HOST COUNTRY GOVERNMENT, AS IS THEIR POSITION OF PRINCIPLE. THEY WOULD NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE GOR, BUT WOULD BE ABLE TO ENCOURAGE THE GOR AND UN TO NEGOTIATE A SOLUTION TO THEIR DIFFERENCES.

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6. RUSSIAN PERMREP LAVROV QUESTIONED OUR POSITION ON AFFIRMING THAT THE ARMS EMBARGO APPLIED TO RWANDANS IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. AFTER HEARING OUR CLARIFICATIONS, HE AGREED HE COULD GO ALONG WITH OUR POSITION ON THE ARMS EMBARGO. HE STATED THAT RUSSIA WOULD USE THIS APPROACH AS A PRECEDENT IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

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